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| 4 | MONDAY, 1 | NOVEMBER 21, 2000 |
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MR. OLAN REEVES: I am Butch Reeves

from the Governor's office. Just for point
of reference, the Board of Apportionment
under the Constitution is made up of the
Governor, as Chairman, Secretary of State
and the Attorney General. Those three
people will decide the House and Senate
districts for the next biennium -- next
ten years, my bad, next ten years.

We will get the population numbers from the US Census Bureau by precinct in March. In January, the state will get the county numbers, that will just be county numbers. This handout sheet that you got is an estimate by the US Census Bureau of the '99 numbers. So, you can look at your county and see up or down percentage growth. That is just an estimate, that is not actual. And they may vary a little bit. But we will actually get the precincts.

In 1990, the basic building block for redistricting was townships. What we are going to get this time are precincts as reported by your county to the United States Census Bureau as to what those precincts are. We will get the census numbers by those precincts, make it a little easier, because townships, to

| 10 | some extent, have kind of outlived their |
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| 11 | usefulness, and dividing cities and stuff |
| 12 | by townships is not it just doesn't |
| 13 | work anymore. |
| 14 | So, we will have a better idea this |
| 15 | time. For instance, we were down at |
| 16 | DeQueen the other day. DeQueen is split |
| 17 | because the township line runs right |
| 18 | through the edge of town, and you think |
| 19 | it is all in one township, and it is not. |
| 20 | That is how they split it last time. So, |
| 21 | part of the township is one district and |
| 22 | part of it is in another. |
| 23 | We do have a court reporter here who |
| 24 | is taking everybody's comments, so if you |
| 25 | say something, please say your name so she |

can get that down. These will be given to the court reporter -- I mean, given to the Board of Apportionment after they are

4 recorded. We have about five more places

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to go. Three got canceled this week. So,

we are going to make up those three and go

to two other places.

We are still going to Monticello,

We are still going to Monticello,
Clinton, Russellville, West Memphis, and
Harrison. Those are the five places left
to go. We decided to make up Harrison and
West Memphis for various reasons.

And then, in March, when we get the numbers from the US Census Bureau, we will draw a proposal draft plan based on the comments that we have heard from you all at these meetings. We will -- it will be on our website, you can see the dates. By April 1, we will get the numbers. Along about May, early June, we will have a draft plan.

We will come back out with the draft plan, get further comments, "We like this. We don't like this. We want Glenwood in District 18, not 31," those kind of things.

| 1 | Changes will and probably can and will |
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| 2 | be made. Then, the Board will vote sometime |
| 3 | about before October, sometime in |
| 4 | September, about the final plan. There |
| 5 | will be a full-blown hearing, in case you |
| 6 | don't like the changes made to the draft, |
| 7 | so you can come here and plead your case |
| 8 | again to the full Board. |
| 9 | So, when you see the plan on the |
| 10 | website, it is not the final plan, it is |
| 11 | a draft. It is subject to change and |
| 12 | criticism. That is what it is on there |
| 13 | for. So, don't panic and get all up in |
| 14 | arms about it being the final. It is not. |
| 15 | It is just a draft. |
| 16 | The reason we are doing it by October 1 |
| 17 | is to give everybody plenty of time to |
| 18 | decide, "Am I in the right House district |
| 19 | and the right Senate district," and "Do |
| 20 | I need to move, or what do I need to do?" |
| 21 | That is well over a year before the |
| 22 | election, so that is why we are doing it. |
| 23 | This is not a "in by law" date, this |
| 24 | is just a date we have selected as the best |
| 25 | we can do The Constitution actually says |

| 1 | by I think, by February. We don't even |
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| 2 | get the numbers until March, so we can't do |
| 3 | it by February. |
| 4 | The other staff people involved in this |
| 5 | are Larry Crane, who works at the Attorney |
| 6 | General's office, and Darren Williams, |
| 7 | right back there, he works for Mark Pryor. |
| 8 | (Indicating.) For Sharon Priest's office, |
| 9 | it is Tim Humphries. And then, Ron |
| 10 | Sheffield is the redistricting coordinator, |
| 11 | his office is over in the AEGON Building. |
| 12 | That is where the official computers and |
| 13 | networking are, where the big map printers |
| 14 | are. And Ron staffs that with some other |
| 15 | assistants. So, if you need to if you |
| 16 | want to talk to any of us, that is fine, |
| 17 | or if you want to go over there. |
| 18 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: Which one is Ron? |
| 19 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Ron is right there. |
| 20 | (Indicating.) |
| 21 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: The guy on the right |
| 22 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Works over in the |

| 23 | and the other guy is Darren, works in the | ıe |
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| 24 | Attorney General's office. And then, Cr | raig |
| 25 | Kirkpatrick in the Governor's office. | Ι |

almost forgot Craig.

We have a website. You can log on and see Supreme Court cases that say what the criteria is we will use and what we have to use, other voting rights cases, or voting cases that apply to Arkansas, all kinds of information, our calendar, calendar of events, dates, our E-Mail addresses, our phone numbers. All that stuff is on our website.

You can also place your comments on the website, if you want to put a comment up there that the Board will review before they actually make their vote. That is available, too. This is kind of what it looks like. And this is where you actually would put your comment in. (Indicating.)

| 18 | Now, realize, other people can read your |
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| 19 | comments, they are just posted. It is not |
| 20 | really a chat room, it is a you just post |
| 21 | a comment and other people can read it, as |
| 22 | well as the Board. We just think this will |
| 23 | be very helpful. |
| 24 | Also, on this website will be the draft |

Also, on this website will be the draft proposals next spring, so that when we come

to your town, the plan will already be on

2 the website. In '90, they went around and

3 they had to wait until the maps got there

4 and then stand around and look at them.

5 They will be there before we ever get that.

6 So, the welcoming committee or the targeting

7 committee will be at the door when we get

8 out of the van.

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It has been really interesting, the meetings we have been to, some have been very well attended, most have been, a few were not, 30 to 35 people at most of them,

| 13 | lots of input. And that is really what we |
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| 14 | are here for, not for me to talk, but for |
| 15 | you all to give input, what you hope to get |
| 16 | from the plan in your area, what you would |
| 17 | like to see about a particular House or |
| 18 | Senate district, but remember, this is going |
| 19 | to be based on the numbers. |
| 20 | The current House district is about |

The current House district is about 23, 24, 23 something. The projected House district, if the numbers hold up, is going to be about 25,500. So, if your district has gained population, obviously you are going to shrink. If it has lost population,

obviously you are going to have to get bigger land-wise.

The current Senate district is about 67 something. It will be roughly 72,000 next time. So, again, if you are a senator and your district has gained population, you will have to shrink to make the 72. We

will still have a hundred just like we have now, still have 35 senators just like we have now. They will just be reapportioned, realigned differently.

And our website kind of tells you the guidelines the Supreme Court has placed on us as to what we look at and don't look at -- what we look at to consider drawing these lines. So, again, if you want to make a comment for the record -- and please understand, if you want to write her a letter, that is fine, too. The Board will see all of that. But if you want to make a comment for the court reporter, please state your name so we can get that down so the Board will know who you are. Anybody have a comment, something you want to say about your district?

MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Butch, I am going to go ahead and get on the record what I

| 3 | told you earlier. My name is Shawn Womack, |
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| 4 | I am a Representative from Mountain Home. |
| 5 | I have a comment about both the House and |
| 6 | the Senate districts. Currently in Baxter |
| 7 | County, we have all or part of three |
| 8 | districts, our district is District 40, |
| 9 | which is entirely within Baxter County. |
| LO | District 39 and District 66 currently take |
| 11 | up part of Baxter County, but the bulk of |
| 12 | the population is located outside of the |
| 13 | county. |
| 14 | My comment would be, is that I would |
| L5 | like to see reapportionment work in a way |
| 16 | that we could have two Representatives |
| L7 | that actually lived in the district. Right |
| 18 | now, I am the only one of the three who |
| 19 | represents the county. I would like to |
| 20 | have instead of having three in the |
| 21 | county, maybe have two in the county and |
| 22 | have enough population in each one that we |
| 23 | would have two members that actually live |
| 24 | in Baxter County. |
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MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay.

| 1 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: With respect to the |
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| 2 | Senate districts, Senate District 32, which |
| 3 | is currently all of Baxter do I need to |
| 4 | stop while you do that? |
| 5 | COURT REPORTER: No. |
| 6 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: All of Baxter, all |
| 7 | of Marion, and part of Boone. My concern |
| 8 | and the concern of several folks that I |
| 9 | have talked to, or my hope, anyway, is |
| 10 | that Baxter County does not get split among |
| 11 | Senate districts. Currently you have Boone |
| 12 | County on the western edge of the district |
| 13 | that part of Boone is in one and part of |
| 14 | Boone is in another. And our concern is |
| 15 | that Baxter County stay intact within one |
| 16 | Senate district, and then whatever counties |
| 17 | surround us, that we don't need it to make |
| 18 | up the population of the other. |
| 19 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Thank you. Anybody |
| 20 | else have a comment? Something you want to |
| 21 | say? Randy? |
| 22 | MR. RANDY MINTON: I am Randy Minton, |
| 23 | Senate District 69, and I would just like |
| 24 | to my area is very concerned about the |
| 25 | Senate districts, which is currently we |

| 1 | are in Senate District Eight, Nine, and 21. |
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| 2 | And with the growth of Lonoke County, we |
| 3 | have, I believe, the resolutions from |
| 4 | Quorum Court, Farm Bureau, and schools, |
| 5 | that supports Lonoke County being kept |
| 6 | intact with one Senate district, and then |
| 7 | whatever additional area, we have talked |
| 8 | with people in southeast White County, in |
| 9 | the Beebe area, and they have a common |
| 10 | economic structure to ours, being we are |
| 11 | rural communities, and we have a lot |
| 12 | of education in the area is very |
| 13 | important, so that is a concern of the |
| 14 | people in Lonoke County, is that the |
| 15 | Senate district might be built around |
| 16 | Lonoke County and that the county not be |
| 17 | split up into three different Senate |
| 18 | districts this time. |
| 19 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. Jeremy? |
| 20 | MR. JEREMY HUTCHINSON: Jeremy |
| 21 | Hutchinson, State Representative, District |

| 22 | 53. I represent West Little Rock, wh | nich |
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| 23 | has obviously had a lot of growth, ar | nd I |
| 24 | am sure that the district will have t | to |
| 25 | shrink. My preference in shrinking t | that |

south end of my district, and preferably to Saline County. I pick up a little bit of Saline County and part of Bryant. While they are good people down there, I think it would be probably be a more effective representation if, instead of representing most of Pulaski County, then the small segment of Saline County, I feel they probably are getting -- would probably 11 get more attention given to them if they had their own Representative. So, if it 12 was my druthers, I would shrink that 13 district by taking a part of Saline County 14

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would be to take that population from the

MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. Anybody else?

and giving them their own Representative.

| 17 | Randy? |
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| 18 | MR. RANDY RANKIN: Randy Rankin, |
| 19 | District 100. One concern I have is |
| 20 | McGehee. There is nobody in McGehee that |
| 21 | knows who their Representative is. What |
| 22 | they would like to do is to be either in |
| 23 | the 100th district or the next district |
| 24 | up, everybody. I would of course, my - |
| 25 | Chicot County has lost population, Desha |

| 1 | has lost population, Ashley County has |
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| 2 | lost population a little bit. |
| 3 | What I would like to see happen is |
| 4 | just take the top of that all the way to |
| 5 | the river. |
| 6 | MR. OLAN REEVES: That is right is |
| 7 | McGehee now in 81? |
| 8 | MR. RANDY RANKIN: Well, part of it is |
| 9 | in 81. |
| 10 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Part of it? Okay. |
| 11 | MR. RANDY RANKIN: Nobody knows. I |

| 12 | mean, I have had people who have lived in |
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| 13 | the same household that went to vote, one |
| 14 | of them was able to vote for me, and the |
| 15 | other one couldn't vote. |
| 16 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. |
| 17 | MR. RANDY RANKIN: Really, I mean, |
| 18 | nobody knows what is going on down there. |
| 19 | So, I would like to see it go all the way |
| 20 | to the river, from Reed to the river. |
| 21 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. Thank you. |
| 22 | Anybody else? David? |
| 23 | MR. DAVID HAAK: David Haak, District |
| 24 | 21. The concern of Texarkana, a small |
| 25 | district, but the district I represent, |

| 1 | I believe has lost population. A lot |
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| 2 | of the concerns of our people are, they |
| 3 | feel like they would like to have as |
| 4 | much of Texarkana represented under |
| 5 | one Representative instead of multiple |
| 6 | Representatives. And it is going to |

| 7 | have to grow, and pretty much, I guess, |
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| 8 | we would like to see it stay as close |
| 9 | to the city limit as possible, instead |
| 10 | of excluding this area, but going outside |
| 11 | of the city limits in another area to make |
| 12 | it up. |
| 13 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Anybody else? Jim? |
| 14 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: Jim Magnus, I represent |
| 15 | House District 55 in Little Rock. Butch, |
| 16 | just a general observation that I would make |
| 17 | on districting within the City of Little |
| 18 | Rock, both House and Senate, would be that |
| 19 | it often doesn't seem to take into account |
| 20 | that there are sort of neighborhoods within |
| 21 | the city, very often even neighborhoods that |
| 22 | are platted into neighborhood associations, |
| 23 | and that we, in drawing our lines, split |
| 24 | those. And I think out in my area, I could |
| 25 | show you cases both of House and Senate |

I don't know about some of the other
Little Rock Representatives, but I would
just encourage that -- again, much the
same way that in a rural area, we are
talking about whole cities being together,
in Little Rock where we have got, excuse
me, neighborhoods with 500 or a thousand
homes that have a neighborhood organization
and some cohesion, that we try as much as
possible to respect those boundaries in the
redistricting process.

MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. For those of you all who just came in, we are just taking comments for the Board. So, if you want to make a comment about your district or anybody else's district, or a comment in general, please state your name so the court reporter can get it down. It doesn't even have to be about Pulaski County, it can be any district. We have got people from all over. Because these comments will be shared with the Board of Apportionment. Jim?

52. Just drawn the line so I can get

MR. JIM LENDALL: Jim Lendall, District

| 1 | reelected. |
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| 2 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yeah, okay. |
| 3 | MR. JIM LENDALL: No. I live in |
| 4 | Mabelvale. Mabelvale sits on actually |
| 5 | two sides of the county line, as well as |
| 6 | Alexander, and I represent parts of both. |
| 7 | And like I said, my district is going to |
| 8 | change because of rapid growth in just one |
| 9 | precinct, and it is kind of out of step |
| 10 | with the rest of the district, too. I |
| 11 | mean, so it is the Otter Creek area. |
| 12 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Right. |
| 13 | MR. JIM LENDALL: And so, I would |
| 14 | be unhappy to see it go, but I would be |
| 15 | actually happy to see it go. I am sure |
| 16 | Representative Hutchinson could really |
| 17 | enjoy representing that area. |
| 18 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. Anybody else? |
| 19 | Mr. Lewellen? |
| 20 | MR. JOHN LEWELLEN: State Representative |
| 21 | John Lewellen, District 58. We may have |
| 22 | a it has been some minor population |
| 23 | reduction, if you will. We would probably |
| 24 | like to see the district stay pretty much |

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| 1 | available. |
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| 2 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Oh, yeah. We won't |
| 3 | make any changes until that happens, there |
| 4 | is no doubt. |
| 5 | MR. JOHN LEWELLEN: And part of my |
| 6 | concern about this district, the Senatorial |
| 7 | district, there may be a shift in population |
| 8 | there. So, we would like to have some input |
| 9 | into that. |
| 10 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Right. Sam? |
| 11 | MR. SAM ANGEL: Sam Angel out of |
| 12 | District 100. I would like to make some |
| 13 | comments on the Senate District One. The |
| 14 | Senate District One, I am sure, will gain |
| 15 | some in size. |
| 16 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: Which one, Sam? |
| 17 | MR. SAM ANGEL: Senate District One. |
| 18 | Well, currently, that district is divided |
| 19 | east and west boundaries by economics and |

| 20 | industry, the western portion of it pretty |
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| 21 | much predominantly forestry, the eastern |
| 22 | portion of it is pretty much agriculture, |
| 23 | aquaculture. And Senate District Seven runs |
| 24 | from the north to the south along the |
| 25 | Arkansas or Mississippi River. |

| 1 | I have had several people make mention |
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| 2 | to me that as long as Senate District One |
| 3 | is east or west, no one from the eastern |
| 4 | district eastern portion of Senate |
| 5 | District One would ever have a chance |
| 6 | because of the population breakdown. |
| 7 | The eastern half of it represents about |
| 8 | 25 percent, which is in opposition |
| 9 | or I wouldn't say against, but it does |
| 10 | not correlate with the industry and the |
| 11 | economics of the western portion of it. |
| 12 | And so, if it would travel northerly |
| 13 | up the Arkansas River, the district would |
| 14 | pretty much stay the same as the economics |
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| 15 | and industry is concerned. So, they would |
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| 16 | certainly like to see something that would |
| 17 | stay in the delta region, whether it be |
| 18 | Senate District Seven or Senate District |
| 19 | One. It would certainly be an advantage |
| 20 | for the people to have one senator that |
| 21 | would represent all of the you know, |
| 22 | most of the agriculture, aquaculture, |
| 23 | and then one that would represent the |
| 24 | predominant area of forestry. |
| 25 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Jim? |

| MR. JIM LENDALL: Jim Lendall, District |
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| 52. I think it also makes it a lot easier |
| on the residents if they know that well, |
| what I would like to see is, as much as |
| possible, having the Representatives |
| district only have one senator rather than |
| having two or more. And it makes it easier |
| for the voters to figure out who to contact |
| rather than say, "Well, let's see. Senator |

| 10 | So-and-so has this part of my district and |
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| 11 | Senator So-and-so has this other part." It |
| 12 | makes it easier on the voters. |
| 13 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. |
| 14 | MR. SAM ANGEL: I just have one |
| 15 | additional comment. Representative Sam |
| 16 | Angel, again. And this is has to do |
| 17 | with my House District 100. I serve all |
| 18 | of Chicot County, part of Desha, and part |
| 19 | of Ashley. And the area in question would |
| 20 | be the area of Desha. The City of McGehee |
| 21 | has roughly three Representatives |
| 22 | representing it. It is divided up so |
| 23 | by streets. They don't correlate with |
| 24 | the City Council or the aldermen's |
| 25 | districts, it doesn't correlate with the |

school district districts. And every
election that I have been involved in
or heard about, there has been major
confusion over and over again about where

| 5 | House Districts 100 and House District 82 |
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| 6 | and also House District |
| 7 | MR. OLAN REEVES: 81. |
| 8 | MR. SAM ANGEL: 81 meet there in |
| 9 | the City of McGehee. So, if there was a |
| 10 | definite point, such as Highway Four, |
| 11 | everything that would go north of Highway |
| 12 | Four or south of Highway Four, it would |
| 13 | certainly help define the boundaries of |
| 14 | those House districts. I have even had |
| 15 | comments where a couple that lives in one |
| 16 | house both go to vote for a House district, |
| 17 | one member in the house can vote for it and |
| 18 | the next member goes in, the other spouse, |
| 19 | and they can't, they are locked out. |
| 20 | So, I don't know if the boundary splits |
| 21 | their house or what. But there has been, |
| 22 | over and over again, confusion over those |
| 23 | House districts and where they are in Desha |
| 24 | County. |
| 25 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. |

| 1 | MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: I am Lindbergh |
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| 2 | Thomas from District 74. And Representative |
| 3 | Angel brought it to my attention in |
| 4 | listening to him, the boundaries in District |
| 5 | 74 need to be identified by some landmark. |
| 6 | Right now, the map shows you a district, |
| 7 | but where on the land does it appear? No |
| 8 | one seems to know. And the ones I am |
| 9 | concerned about specifically is south of |
| 10 | Pine Bluff on Highway 65. |
| 11 | I don't know if it comes up to 81 |
| 12 | Junction at one point. Another map tells |
| 13 | me I go up to Griderfield Road, which is |
| 14 | closer into the City of Pine Bluff. But |
| 15 | I don't know where the boundaries are. I |
| 16 | talked to people that vote in the area, they |
| 17 | don't "I don't know what district I am |
| 18 | in." I said, "Where are you voting?" And |
| 19 | a couple of districts is voting in a local |
| 20 | church. So, that still don't tell me |
| 21 | where what district they are in. |
| 22 | So, I am lost when it and I go around |
| 23 | Pine Bluff, I don't come into the City of |
| 24 | Pine Bluff, where International Paper mill |
| 25 | is located. I assume that is my district |

| 1 | but I don't know. And I have talked to |
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| 2 | some of the Representatives from Pine Bluff, |
| 3 | and they said, "Well, we guess it is yours. |
| 4 | We don't know. We don't go out there and |
| 5 | talk to people." I said, "Well, I don't |
| 6 | go, because I was assuming it was in town, |
| 7 | belonged to some of you guys." So, we need |
| 8 | some landmark to show us where our districts |
| 9 | are located. |
| 10 | MR. OLAN REEVES: I think some of that |
| 11 | happens because |
| 12 | MR. JIM LENDALL: We can get a paint |
| 13 | brush. |
| 14 | MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: Yeah. |
| 15 | MR. OLAN REEVES: I think some of that |
| 16 | happened because last time, townships lines, |
| 17 | and they were somewhat, sometimes, based |
| 18 | on sections lines, which just didn't match |
| 19 | anything. |
| 20 | MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: Right. |
| 21 | MR. OLAN REEVES: And they are just |
| 22 | out there. They don't match a creek or road |
| 23 | or river or anything. |

| 24 | MR. | LINDB | ERGH | THOM | AS: | R | Right. | |
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| 25 | MR. | OLAN I | REEVE | :S: | And | I | think | some |

of that was made. We will have much more details on the computer. We will have down to the streets, the number of people on the side of each street in cities and out in the country. It will be much more detailed than they had last time in '90.

So, we will do our best to take care of those kind of problems. I can't promise everything to everybody, but we will do the best we can.

MR. JIM MAGNUS: Butch, as a followur.

MR. JIM MAGNUS: Butch, as a followup to that, I think the problem that we have had -- I am sorry. Jim Magnus, again. I think the problems we have had in Pulaski County have been pretty well documented, and I don't think our problems have so much been related to lines that were -- you know, that were a township line that didn't make

| 19 | sense. |
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| 20 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Right. |
| 21 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: They were that the |
| 22 | the County Clerk's office somehow didn't |
| 23 | take what was given to them by the Board of |
| 24 | Apportionment and translate that into the |
| 25 | county maps. |

| 1 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Right. |
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| 2 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: And I don't totally |
| 3 | know the statutory responsibility for that |
| 4 | link-up, but to the extent that there could |
| 5 | be some positive system for ensuring that |
| 6 | what you draw is what makes it into our |
| 7 | actual district lines in the county, you |
| 8 | know, we I believe that Mike Creekmore |
| 9 | told me that this last election, they |
| 10 | adjusted the line on his race, yet again. |
| 11 | So, the very last election run under this |
| 12 | apportionment, the lines were still |
| 13 | changing from what the Board drew ten |

| 14 | years ago. |
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| 15 | MR. OLAN REEVES: The Secretary of State |
| 16 | has |
| 17 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Uh-huh. (Indicated |
| 18 | yes.) |
| 19 | MR. OLAN REEVES: undergone an |
| 20 | extensive process over the last year with |
| 21 | CAST, I don't know what that stands for, |
| 22 | but it is in Fayetteville, and they have |
| 23 | actually |
| 24 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: Center for Advanced |
| 25 | Spacial Technology. |

| MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. They have |
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| found out that the maps that the clerks had |
| didn't really match the maps the Board of |
| Apportionment had. And they have done an |
| extensive job of going to each county with |
| these clerks with these maps and saying, |
| "These are where the lines are supposed to |
| be." Now, we will and hopefully with the |

9 computer, the way we will do it this next
10 time, and once that has been done once, it
11 will be much easier to do that once we draw
12 the lines again.

There have been huge problems. I mean, people elected who didn't live in that district and got elected, because the clerk had a map that didn't match the official Board of Apportionment map. Hopefully -- and I think Tim could probably address that. We think those problems have been worked out, we really do.

CAST assisted us in buying the software and getting the software for this, and had a lot of input into what we used. It was based on the GIS technology, Tiger and Artview and that type thing. So, we think

it will be much better this time, we hope.

MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: Butch, I am Dean

3 Elliott, State Representative from District

| 4 | 62. I live in Maumelle. I agree with Jim |
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| 5 | Magnus. Part of that problem, in visiting |
| 6 | with the County Clerk's office was, they |
| 7 | assumed that the JC lines that they drew |
| 8 | matched House lines, which if you will look, |
| 9 | District 60 |
| 10 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yes. |
| 11 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: it is agreed that |
| 12 | Pulaski County is clearly unconstitutional |
| 13 | House district. It is not contingent |
| 14 | contiguous. |
| 15 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Contiguous? |
| 16 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: Which is closer than |
| 17 | that. |
| 18 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: Yes, it is. You just |
| 19 | can't see it. |
| 20 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: Unless you can walk |
| 21 | that fine black line down the middle of some |
| 22 | road. But I live in House District |
| 23 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: All of the houses on |
| 24 | the north side of the highway |
| 25 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: That is that yellow |

| 1 | line. |
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| 2 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: two miles line. |
| 3 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: Down the middle of |
| 4 | Chrysanthemum Boulevard. |
| 5 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yeah. |
| 6 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: I live in House |
| 7 | District 62, and if you will look at it, I |
| 8 | am in the farthest northwest portion of that |
| 9 | House district. Physically, to get to the |
| 10 | northwest corner of my House district, I |
| 11 | have to drive through House District 60, 61 |
| 12 | 59, and 63, and Senate District 18, 19, and |
| 13 | 20 to get to the rest of my House district. |
| 14 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. |
| 15 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: So, there is a lot |
| 16 | of unnecessary travel involved there, and it |
| 17 | really spans from Maumelle to Gravel Ridge, |
| 18 | including parts of Sherwood and Maumelle |
| 19 | and North Little Rock, which, you know, one |
| 20 | neighborhood in North Little Rock and half |
| 21 | of Sherwood, which would be probably better |
| 22 | represented. |
| 23 | As far as the Senate district, I know |
| 24 | Senator Russ is District 20. Due to the |
| 25 | population growth in Conway, it is going to |

| 1 | have to see some type of change, probably |
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| 2 | shrinkage. The part of that Senate |
| 3 | district lies south of the Faulkner County |
| 4 | line in Pulaski County, which is already |
| 5 | in it is going to get probably going |
| 6 | to assume to be left out somewhere. So, |
| 7 | it almost seems like that could go into |
| 8 | District 18, or become some type of new |
| 9 | Senate district. I don't know what. |
| LO | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. |
| L1 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: But you have got a |
| 12 | lot of areas in there that have shown a lot |
| 13 | of growth. So, in looking at that, you have |
| L4 | got Senate District 19, which has shown a |
| L5 | lot of growth. |
| L6 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: What is that? |
| L7 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: 19 is what |
| 18 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Needs to shrink. |
| 19 | MR. DEAN ELLIOTT: It has shown a lot |
| 20 | of growth. So, there is I am afraid |
| 21 | that the folks in southern I mean, in |

| 22 | northern Pulaski County are going to be |
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| 23 | left out. We need to keep them in mind |
| 24 | when we look at drawing this Senate |
| 25 | district, if we could. |

| 1 | MR. OLAN REEVES: All right. Anybody |
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| 2 | else? |
| 3 | MR. JIM LENDALL: Jim Lendall of |
| 4 | District 52. I have a precinct in my |
| 5 | district and it is almost let's say, |
| 6 | 95 percent of the housing area is in one |
| 7 | precinct, and like one street is over in |
| 8 | another precinct. And they would like to |
| 9 | all be in which is also in a different |
| 10 | Representative district, and they would |
| 11 | like to be able to have the same signs on |
| 12 | their street. |
| 13 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. |
| 14 | MR. JIM LENDALL: And who would they go |
| 15 | to to see about getting that housing area, |
| 16 | it is Pecan Lake, put into one precinct? |

| 17 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. You have just |
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| 18 | stated it to us. |
| 19 | MR. JIM LENDALL: Okay. |
| 20 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Now, if it is if |
| 21 | you are talking about a local precinct, they |
| 22 | are going to have to go to the Tim, if he |
| 23 | is talking about a local precinct out at |
| 24 | Pecan Lake, if they want to be in the same |
| 25 | precinct, they would go to the County Clerk? |

MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: County Election 1 Commission. 3 MR. OLAN REEVES: County Election Commission. MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: Well, putting 5 the -- I am Michael Booker, District 56. 6 7 Putting them in the same precinct, that is 8 where we butt up at, Jim, out there. We 9 butt up together. MR. JIM LENDALL: Right. 10 11 MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: I have got this

| 12 | back here and coming into Pecan Lake, about |
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| 13 | 11 voters, and they all go over to Western |
| 14 | Hills United Methodist Church. So, putting |
| 15 | them in the same precinct isn't going to |
| 16 | clear, because then they get in the same |
| 17 | precinct with different ballots. So, I am |
| 18 | not certain that is where you were headed |
| 19 | with that. |
| 20 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: You have to move the |
| 21 | district line. |
| 22 | MR. JIM LENDALL: Right. That is what I |
| 23 | am saying. |
| 24 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: Well, I mean, I am |
| 25 | not the precinct line could be yeah. |
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| a | and the precinct line, I mean, they are - |
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| W | where the precinct line is is where the |
| d | istrict line is. And |
| | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: Yeah. But just |
| C | changing the precinct just changing |

MR. JIM LENDALL: The district line

| 7 | where they go to vote doesn't cure the |
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| 8 | problem, is what I am saying, is what I |
| 9 | thought I was picking up. |
| 10 | MR. JIM LENDALL: Well, but it will, |
| 11 | because then the precinct lines will be |
| 12 | where the district lines will be. |
| 13 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: Well, yeah. If |
| 14 | you change the district lines. |
| 15 | MR. JIM LENDALL: Right. |
| 16 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: It wouldn't make |
| 17 | a if you change the district lines, it |
| 18 | wouldn't make a difference where they voted |
| 19 | whether they vote at this precinct or that |
| 20 | precinct. |
| 21 | MR. JIM LENDALL: Right. |
| 22 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: They would still |
| 23 | vote in whatever district they were in. |
| 24 | So, just changing the precinct lines all |
| 25 | by themselves, which I thought |

| | 2 | two ballot stalls in the precinct, which |
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| | 3 | would be confusing. |
| | 4 | MR. JIM LENDALL: Right. Well, that |
| | 5 | is what I am well, never mind. I know |
| | 6 | what I said. |
| | 7 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Anybody else have a |
| | 8 | comment or question or concern? |
| | 9 | MR. LARRY ROGERS: I am Larry Rogers, |
| 1 | LO | superintendent of schools in Cabot. And |
| 1 | 11 | I would like to state the interest of all |
| 1 | 12 | four School Boards in Lonoke County in |
| 1 | 13 | keeping the county unified with respect |
| 1 | L4 | to the Senatorial district. We now have |
| 1 | 15 | three representing us, and if you look |
| 1 | 16 | at Senate and House in Lonoke County, it |
| 1 | L7 | is what made the rest of the districts |
| 1 | 18 | possible in 1990 and '91 when it was drawn |
| 1 | L9 | up. We feel like we have served our time |
| 2 | 20 | being split, especially on the Senatorial |
| 2 | 21 | district, and our School Boards would really |
| 2 | 22 | appreciate consideration for keeping the |
| 2 | 23 | county unified. |
| 2 | 24 | A second point is that we are a growing |
| 2 | 25 | county, we have a record of 15 years of |

| 1 | continuous growth. And when you are drawing |
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| 2 | these lines, you are somewhat shooting at a |
| 3 | moving target. I am not sure what the magic |
| 4 | number is now, I have heard 68, 71, 75,000 |
| 5 | on the Senatorial district. But whatever it |
| 6 | happens to be, the record suggests in Lonoke |
| 7 | County that it will be larger than that at |
| 8 | the end of the ten-year period, and we would |
| 9 | ask you to take that into consideration when |
| 10 | you are drawing that line. |
| 11 | We believe that when the true numbers |
| 12 | come in, that we will be I think you show |
| 13 | us at 51,000. We think it will be closer to |
| 14 | 54,000. And it wouldn't take a lot to put |
| 15 | it up into that range of making it eligible |
| 16 | for a for one Senatorial district. |
| 17 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Okay. Thank you. Any |
| 18 | other questions? |
| 19 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: Butch, what are |
| 20 | the criteria for the districts as far as the |
| 21 | population variances? |
| 22 | MR. OLAN REEVES: The US Supreme Court |
| 23 | has interpreted and legislated House and |
| 24 | Senate districts, that ten percent is about |
| 25 | the outside limit, ten percent statewide, |

| 2 | statewide when you add all the variances |
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| 3 | together. I don't know what it was last |
| 4 | time. Nine? |
| 5 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: It was 9.7 |
| 6 | something. |
| 7 | MR. OLAN REEVES: 9.7 something. |
| 8 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: I have heard some |
| 9 | discussion about maybe trying to go to |
| 10 | five percent this year. And has the Board |
| 11 | agreed to that? |
| 12 | MR. OLAN REEVES: We are going to try |
| 13 | to we will be able to do a better job, |
| 14 | I think, than last time, because the |
| 15 | computers will allow us to look at that |
| 16 | instantly when we make a change or a line. |
| 17 | We are going to do the best job we can. |
| 18 | Ten percent is not a safe harbor, it is |
| 19 | just that that gets you under the first |
| 20 | initial scrutiny. We would like to be |

okay, not between any two districts, but

| 1 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Has the Governor |
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| 2 | and the Attorney General and the Secretary |
| 3 | of State agreed to a five percent? |
| 4 | MR. OLAN REEVES: No. We have talked |
| 5 | about it as the staff. The Board hasn't |
| 6 | actually adopted any of that. We are just |
| 7 | pushing for that as fast as we can. |
| 8 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Has the staff agreed |
| 9 | to pushing that? |
| 10 | MR. OLAN REEVES: We have talked about |
| 11 | it. |
| 12 | MR. LARRY CRANE: Plus or minus five |
| 13 | percent? |
| 14 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Uh-huh. (Indicated |
| 15 | yes.) |

better, we would like to be closer, because

what you are doing is, you are denying one

is the thing. We are going to do the best

vote, one representation for one vote. That

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we can.

| 16 | MR. LARRY CRANE: Yes. |
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| 17 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Instead of plus or |
| 18 | minus ten. It has always been plus or minus |
| 19 | five. |
| 20 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yes, it has always |
| 21 | been under ten. |
| 22 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Under five. |
| 23 | MR. JIM MAGNUS: Plus or minus five. |
| 24 | MR. OLAN REEVES: When you add the whole |
| 25 | state together, it has to be under ten or |

| 2 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: But you can do ten? |
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| 3 | MR. OLAN REEVES: You can do ten. |
| 4 | MR. LARRY CRANE: Can we talk one at |
| 5 | a time? |
| 6 | COURT REPORTER: Thank you. |
| 7 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Last time it was 9.7. |
| 8 | But we would like to get it lower. |
| 9 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: 9.7 between the |
| 10 | smallest and the largest? |

you are --

| 11 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yes. |
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| 12 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Okay. |
| 13 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yes. |
| 14 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: And then the five |
| 15 | percent we are talking about would be two |
| 16 | and a half? |
| 17 | MR. LARRY CRANE: Right. |
| 18 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Plus or minus. |
| 19 | MR. OLAN REEVES: We are going to do |
| 20 | the best we can. I can't tell you, because |
| 21 | I can't speak for the Board. |
| 22 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: By the way, I am |
| 23 | Shawn Womack. |
| 24 | MR. OLAN REEVES: I can't speak for the |
| 25 | Board but we will do the best we can |

1 MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Another comment that
2 I would have is, will the Board -- do you
3 know at this time, will the Board be taking
4 into account the tracking of the population
5 shifts to kind of project over the next

time period? In other words, what I am 6 7 saying is, with all the growth in Northwest 8 Arkansas, will the Board take into account and say, "We can reasonably expect that 9 10 Northwest Arkansas is going to continue to 11 grow and try" -- if you are going to go 12 five percent under, go five percent under 13 there versus, you know, places that are 14 losing population and say, "We expect these people to continue to lose population"? 15 MR. OLAN REEVES: You can't count people 16 17 that aren't there, that is the best I can say. It is unconstitutional to give people 18 Representatives -- Representatives people 19 who don't live there yet. 20 21 MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Okay. 22 MR. OLAN REEVES: There is just no way. But we will do the best we can to take that 23 24 into account, because I mean, that is 25 something we have heard from Lonoke County,

| 1 | we have heard it from Rogers, we have heard |
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| 2 | it from those counties, "We know we are |
| 3 | going to grow." But you can't give them |
| 4 | people that they don't have. That is the |
| 5 | one thing that I need to express. because |
| 6 | then you are minus one, and you can't be |
| 7 | minus. |
| 8 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: I just know there is |
| 9 | some concern right now that in 1990 when it |
| 10 | was done, there has been such a significant |
| 11 | change since then. |
| 12 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Right. |
| 13 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: And I have heard John |
| 14 | Brown make the comment that, you know, he |
| 15 | represents far more than any other senator |
| 16 | in the state. And I think people saw the |
| 17 | growth in Benton County at that time. |
| 18 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Right. |
| 19 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: But yet |
| 20 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yes. I understand |
| 21 | that. And he probably does. I mean, there |
| 22 | are some of those Senate and House districts |
| 23 | that are huge. And we will do the best we |
| 24 | can to try to make the variance as low as |
| 25 | we can, for that reason alone. And but |

| 2 | two and a half percent up in Benton County |
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| 3 | or Carroll County. I don't know that yet. |
| 4 | The Board is the one that will have to |
| 5 | decide that, not us. So, we will pass those |
| 6 | comments on to them. |
| 7 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: What about the issue |
| 8 | of using natural boundaries, lakes, rivers? |
| 9 | MR. OLAN REEVES: We have talked about |
| 10 | that. And Tim, you might want to talk about |
| 11 | that a little bit. |
| 12 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: The basic building |
| 13 | block is going to be the precincts. And so, |
| 14 | in rural areas, precinct lines are often on |
| 15 | township lines. And township lines most |
| 16 | often aren't on natural boundaries or |
| 17 | physical features like highways or anything |
| 18 | like that, you are on section lines. So, |
| 19 | you know, if you are using the precincts |
| 20 | as your basic building block, then it is |
| 21 | naturally not going to be on a physical |
| 22 | feature type boundary. |
| 23 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: And like the |

1 I can't tell you that it will be exactly

| 1 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Right. |
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| 2 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: Is that your |
| 3 | thinking? |
| 4 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Right. I mean, that |
| 5 | is |
| 6 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: Or at least some |
| 7 | discussion? |
| 8 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: That is a criteria |
| 9 | that the Board can use, is to build on the |
| 10 | existing districts. |
| 11 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: And that is the |
| 12 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Right. |
| 13 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: That is being used |
| 14 | in redistricting |
| 15 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Right. |
| 16 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: since the '70s, |
| 17 | right? |
| 18 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Right. |

| 19 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: In State versus |
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| 20 | Progress? |
| 21 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Right. But we |
| 22 | were talking about, you know, the putting |
| 23 | lines on natural boundaries and physical |
| 24 | features is just not always possible, |
| 25 | because those existing lines, that line |

| 2 | on section lines. |
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| 3 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: Right. Tim, how |
| 4 | are you all counting prisoners, inmates? |
| 5 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: The census counts |
| 6 | them wherever they live. So, I mean, we |
| 7 | have got no other way to figure that except |
| 8 | on the census. |
| 9 | MR. OLAN REEVES: We take the numbers |
| 10 | they give us as a given. We don't challenge |
| 11 | those. And so, if they give us Jefferson |
| 12 | County and count those prisoners at Cummins |
| 13 | as long as they are counted, even though |

is not on a physical feature, that is

| 14 | they can't vote, we don't have any other |
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| 15 | way to do it. |
| 16 | MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: I am |
| 17 | Representative Lindbergh Thomas. And I |
| 18 | want to ask a question about the prison |
| 19 | count now. Is that counted within my |
| 20 | 23,000 voters? |
| 21 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Yes. Yes, it is. |
| 22 | MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: Gee whiz, I have |
| 23 | 12,000 that can't vote, then. Half of mine |
| 24 | can't vote. |
| 25 | MR. LARRY CRANE: That could go either |

MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: I have got three

prisons in my district.

MR. JIM MAGNUS: It really lowers your

mail cost.

MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: Yes. I have got

Tucker, Varner, and Cummins.

8 MR. OLAN REEVES: Right.

way, then.

| 9 | MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: Half of mine |
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| 10 | can't vote. |
| 11 | (Inaudible.) |
| 12 | MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: I am going to |
| 13 | pass get a bill in the House to let these |
| 14 | guys vote. |
| 15 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Of course, those |
| 16 | units of the |
| 17 | MR. LINDBERGH THOMAS: They may vote me |
| 18 | out of office, though. |
| 19 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Those units of the |
| 20 | prison didn't have near the population in |
| 21 | 1990 as they have now. That portion of your |
| 22 | population has grown quite a bit. |
| 23 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Anybody else? |
| 24 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: What is the |
| 25 | question here? |

1 MR. OLAN REEVES: We are taking general

2 comments.

3 MR. SHANE BROADWAY: General comments?

| 4 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yes. We are just |
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| 5 | taking we are taking comments. |
| 6 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: I am trying to look |
| 7 | at mine. That is the best map of mine I |
| 8 | have ever seen. |
| 9 | MR. OLAN REEVES: We can get you one. |
| 10 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: It is too late now. |
| 11 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: I can't really |
| 12 | get it. What is the figure on the Senate |
| 13 | districts, how many thousand? |
| 14 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Around 72 and |
| 15 | change. |
| 16 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: What is it now? |
| 17 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: It is 67 right now. |
| 18 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: 67 to 72. What is |
| 19 | the House district? |
| 20 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: You go from about |
| 21 | 23,500 to about 25,500. |
| 22 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: Currently? |
| 23 | Currently we are supposed to have 23,500; |
| 24 | right? |
| 25 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Right. |

| 1 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: That is what they |
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| 2 | were |
| 3 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: They are going to |
| 4 | 25? |
| 5 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: That is what they |
| 6 | were drawn on in 1990. I doubt very |
| 7 | seriously yours has the same population. |
| 8 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: Mine probably has |
| 9 | about 50. As long as my district is not |
| 10 | in nothing against you guys, Pulaski |
| 11 | County, my people will be okay. Oh, I am |
| 12 | sorry. I am Shane Broadway, District 46. |
| 13 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: Shane I mean, |
| 14 | Jeremy |
| 15 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: That is okay, |
| 16 | Booker, we all look alike. |
| 17 | MR. MICHAEL BOOKER: You all do. |
| 18 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: He wants to give up |
| 19 | part of Saline? |
| 20 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: We will take it back. |
| 21 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Shawn Womack. I |
| 22 | think Representative Booker might have |
| 23 | touched on this. When you all started this, |
| 24 | I know the precincts are the basic building |
| 25 | blocks, but will you start from scratch, or |

| 1 | how much will you take into account the |
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| 2 | existing House and Senate districts? Is |
| 3 | it going to be a matter of taking those |
| 4 | existing districts and moving the edges, |
| 5 | or is it going to be a matter of looking |
| 6 | at the state map, starting from one corner |
| 7 | and going? |
| 8 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: I think I can safely |
| 9 | speak for all of us in saying that we are |
| 10 | going to start with this map and that map. |
| 11 | (Indicating.) And those are the maps that |
| 12 | are going to be on our screen. |
| 13 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: So, you are actually |
| 14 | going to start with existing House and |
| 15 | Senate districts? |
| 16 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Right. And where |
| 17 | we go with that totally depends on |
| 18 | population changes. I mean, you know, |
| 19 | because of population shifts, I think it |
| 20 | is obvious some districts are going to look |
| 21 | drastically different from the way the look |
| 22 | now. |

| 1 | because that is the basic thing you look at. |
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| 2 | It is just it is too difficult to just |
| 3 | start from scratch and draw the lines. We |
| 4 | have talked about, can we just do this and |
| 5 | just draw boxes everywhere? That is just |
| 6 | very difficult to do, because we have had |
| 7 | this around for so long. It might make it |
| 8 | easier for us, but it is just too difficult |
| 9 | to do, because incumbency is something we |
| LO | can take into account, the Supreme Court has |
| L1 | said so. |
| 12 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: Timeliness, I guess, |
| 13 | that becoming less and less? |
| L4 | MR. OLAN REEVES: That relieves some of |
| 15 | that burden, but it won't relieve all of it, |
| L6 | yes. |
| L7 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: A senator could be |

MR. OLAN REEVES: Because case law

says you can take incumbency and community,

core communities of interest into account,

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| 18 | there through the whole decade. |
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| L9 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yeah. Anybody else? |
| 20 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: I want to be able |
| 21 | to make mention about our office helping on |
| 22 | reapportionment. |
| 23 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: We have a number |
| 24 | of Representatives here. So, I will tell |
|) 5 | you all now one of your jobs is to draw |

| 2 | you are aware. And we are going to provide |
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| 3 | the General Assembly with a computer that |
| 4 | will be loaded with this software, it is on |
| 5 | that map up there, for you all to use in |
| 6 | helping draw the Congressional districts |
| 7 | and for whatever purposes and however you |
| 8 | want to do it, you all will have a copy |
| 9 | of our software and we will provide the |
| 10 | computer, as well. |
| 11 | MR. SHAWN WOMACK: When will we get |
| 12 | that and where will it be? |
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the Congressional districts, as I am sure

| 13 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: That is going to |
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| 14 | be up to you all as to where it will be. I |
| 15 | expect we will get it pretty soon. I expect |
| 16 | in January, I suspect. Yes, sir? |
| 17 | MR. RANDY MINTON: Yeah. Could you show |
| 18 | us how detailed that map can be used? |
| 19 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Sure. |
| 20 | MR. OLAN REEVES: As you speak, please |
| 21 | identify yourselves, please. |
| 22 | MR. RANDY MINTON: Randy Minton. |
| 23 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Randy, when we get |
| 24 | the numbers, they will actually tell us |
| 25 | block by block street by street how many |

| 1 | people live there. |
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| 2 | MR. RANDY MINTON: Randy Minton. So, |
| 3 | you will be able to take, and take that |
| 4 | precinct and move it over into another |
| 5 | district, and then you will see the numbers |
| 6 | change on the number of population there? |
| 7 | MR. OLAN REEVES: Yes. A little screen |

| 8 | pops up, yes. It comes up and shows you, |
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| 9 | age, race, sex, I mean, it shows you all |
| 10 | that stuff instantly. The computer shows |
| 11 | you that so you know what you have done. |
| 12 | If you move this precinct over here, it |
| 13 | shows you instantly what you have done. |
| 14 | MR. RANDY MINTON: And you will have |
| 15 | that, you say, in March or April? |
| 16 | MR. OLAN REEVES: We will have those |
| 17 | April 1, yes. |
| 18 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Yes. |
| 19 | MR. LARRY CRANE: Theoretically, |
| 20 | April 1. |
| 21 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Yeah. |
| 22 | MR. OLAN REEVES: This will also be |
| 23 | available after we have finished ours for |
| 24 | the JPs, the Quorum Courts to draw the JP |
| 25 | districts, which I think will be very |

helpful. I don't know how much support

2 staff we can offer, but the computers and

| 3 | some support will be there for them to draw |
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| 4 | theirs, because they are going to have to |
| 5 | do that, too, in the counties that have |
| 6 | grown or not, they are going to have to do |
| 7 | that, as well, so it will be there. But I |
| 8 | think Donna Davis of the Bureau is the one |
| 9 | that will be helping you all do the |
| 10 | Congressional redistricting, and so she |
| 11 | will have access to this. |
| 12 | MR. CRAIG KIRKPATRICK: Randy, if you |
| 13 | will watch and see where the mouse is, I am |
| 14 | going to this is District 56, I guess, I |
| 15 | am just now moving 58 into that precinct, |
| 16 | and the same with this. (Indicating.) |
| 17 | MR. RANDY MINTON: Oh, okay. |
| 18 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Because it is not |
| 19 | loaded, we don't have the figures loaded in, |
| 20 | there will be a second there is a third |
| 21 | box that will come down and gives us what |
| 22 | the exact race breakdown exactly. |
| 23 | MR. OLAN REEVES: And it even tells us |
| 24 | what precinct it is. It tell us this is so |
| 25 | and so precinct at such and such county, and |

| 1 | this is how many people live there, and this |
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| 2 | is their, you know, sex and race. It tells |
| 3 | us all of that. It makes it very nice. And |
| 4 | we can instantly see if we have impacted to |
| 5 | a detriment or what we need to be doing, |
| 6 | every district. |
| 7 | MR. CRAIG KIRKPATRICK: That precinct |
| 8 | that it hit on is Precinct 365. |
| 9 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: 365. |
| 10 | UNIDENTIFIED MAN: That happens to be my |
| 11 | precinct. |
| 12 | MR. CRAIG KIRKPATRICK: Yes, this is |
| 13 | precinct 365. |
| 14 | (Inaudible.) |
| 15 | MR. CRAIG KIRKPATRICK: And you bring it |
| 16 | on down and you can see all those racial |
| 17 | figures. |
| 18 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: And it breaks it |
| 19 | down by race, as well. |
| 20 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: Jim, this is Shane |
| 21 | Broadway, again. The numbers from the |
| 22 | Congressional districts, we will have |
| 23 | estimated numbers by January 1, right? |
| 24 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Yes. |
| 25 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: The actual numbers |

| 1 | by the end of April 1st? |
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| 2 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: January 1, we will |
| 3 | have we will know the state totals on |
| 4 | January 1. I don't think we are going to |
| 5 | know total county numbers until April 1. |
| 6 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: April 1. |
| 7 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Sometime in March, |
| 8 | probably, but April 1 being the deadline. |
| 9 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: So, will those |
| 10 | be let me go back to this question now |
| 11 | actual numbers versus estimated numbers, |
| 12 | when will that decision be made and by whom? |
| 13 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Well, for |
| 14 | Congressional, the legislature will have |
| 15 | the same districts. |
| 16 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: Right. |
| 17 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Hopefully there |
| 18 | is some litigation percolating in the courts |
| 19 | now involving the States of Virginia and |
| 20 | Arizona that may resolve that issue. The |

| 21 | Virginia case is in the Supreme Court, the |
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| 22 | US Supreme Court, so it may resolve that |
| 23 | issue, and there may not be a decision to |
| 24 | be made. But other than that, the Board of |
| 25 | Apportionment is going to have to make it |

| 1 | for legislative redistricting, and the |
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| 2 | General Assembly will have to make it for |
| 3 | Congressional districts. |
| 4 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: To use actual or |
| 5 | estimated? |
| 6 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Right. |
| 7 | MR. OLAN REEVES: But if that case |
| 8 | doesn't answer the question, we will get |
| 9 | both sets of numbers, right, Tim? |
| 10 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Both, right. We |
| 11 | will get both sets. And it could be that |
| 12 | MR. SHANE BROADWAY: I think our |
| 13 | computer will probably based on the Bureau, |
| 14 | the House and Senate has yet to confer on |
| 15 | that, but I am pretty sure it will be kept |

| 16 | in the Bureau. |
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| 17 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Like I say, you |
| 18 | all can use it for whatever purposes you |
| 19 | deem fit. I think it will help with regard |
| 20 | to Congressional redistricting. |
| 21 | MR. OLAN REEVES: We appreciate |
| 22 | everybody being here. We will be back. |
| 23 | We will be in all of your towns, as best |
| 24 | we can. |
| 25 | MR. LARRY CRANE: Areas. |

| 2 | We will be in your area. So, we appreciate |
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| 3 | you coming. If, in the meantime you want |
| 4 | to tell us something, just drop us a line, |
| 5 | a phone call, E-Mail, website. |
| 6 | MR. TIM HUMPHRIES: Website. |
| 7 | MR. OLAN REEVES: If you didn't sign |
| 8 | the sign-in sheet, please do so, so we can |
| 9 | get your names. |
| 10 | MR. LARRY CRANE: We are adjourned. |

MR. OLAN REEVES: Areas, I am sorry.

| 11 | (WHERE | JPON, | at | 4:57 | p.m., | the |
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I, DONNA KAYE PETRE, Certified Court
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acting, do hereby certify that the above-entitled
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